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Donkey



Sweets



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Once, a donkey wanted to eat something sweet.



He asked his friends for something sweet to eat.



The Bear said – Have some honey.



The Donkey refused.



The Rabbit said – Have some carrots.



The Donkey refused.



The Ant said – Have some jaggery.



The Donkey refused again.



The Elephant said – Eat sugarcane?



The Donkey said – NO!



The Squirrel offered a mango.



The Donkey refused.



The Cat said – Let's go to the *mithai* shop!

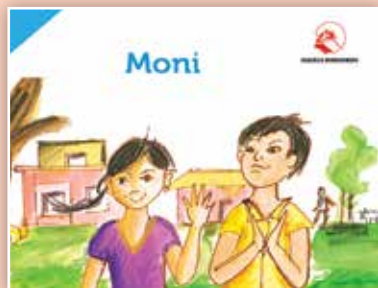
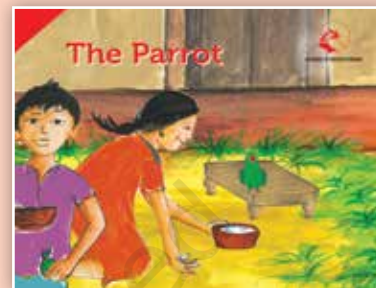


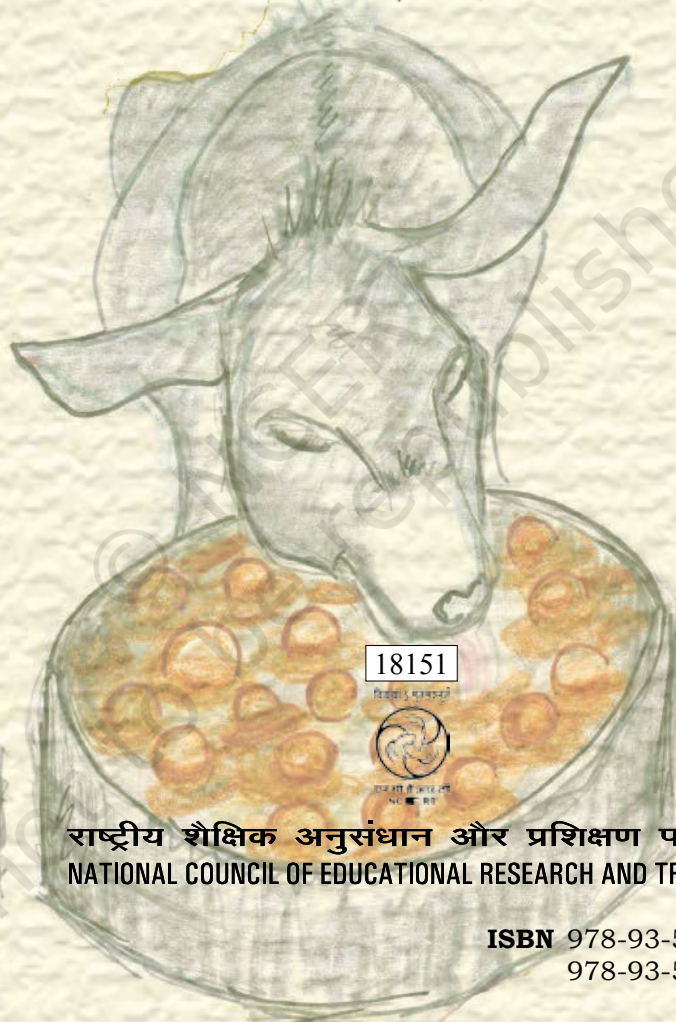
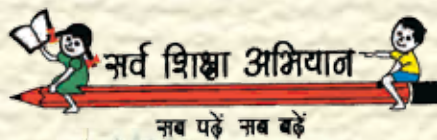
The Donkey loved the idea.



They all started towards the *mithai* shop.

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